dated 25th June, 1991 and related subsequent orders, was held on 27th August, 2002. In the meeting it was agreed that there is a distress situation in the Cauvery basin and that the distress will need to be shared among all the basin States and the details of distress sharing formula can be worked out by the Monitoring Committee within a fortnight.

(c) The Cauvery Water Dispute between the States of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Kerala and Pondicherry was referred to a Tribunal under the provisions of ISWD Act, 1956 in June 1990. The Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal has passed an interim order of June 25, 1991 and is holding regular hearings for adjudicating the Cauvery Water Dispute.

Irrigation Facilities

752. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has achieved the target of increasing the additional irrigation capacity during the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details of the target fixed primarily at the time of finalising the Ninth Five Year Plan and the amount earmarked for achieving the said target; and

(c) the total additional irrigation facility created at the end of Ninth Five Year Plan also the total amount spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (c) Irrigation being a State subject, progress in irrigation development is dependent on the performance of respective State Governments. The target set by Planning Commission for creation of additional irrigation potential during the Ninth Five Year Plan was 17.05 million hectare. However, due to varied reasons including constraint of resources, the additional irrigation potential during the Ninth Plan is anticipated to be 9.15 million hectares (provisional).

The agreed outlay for the irrigation sector under the Central and State Plan together in the Ninth Five Year Plan was Rs. 52344.07 crore and the corresponding anticipated expenditure was Rs. 57611.63 crore.